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Mr. David K. Hardy  
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Kansas City, Mo. 64106

Dear Mr. Hardy:

This letter is to inquire about the possibility of obtaining financial assistance for Evelyn J. Bowers, one of my Ph.D. candidates in biological anthropology, for the completion of her dissertation. I am writing you at the suggestion of Dr. Richard J. Hickey of the Wharton School who thought perhaps you might be able to work out a procedure to assist Ms. Bowers. If you recall, Ms. Bowers has collaborated with Dr. Drs. Hickey and Richard C. Clelland on a number of papers concerning environmental pollution and disease mortality.

Ms. Bowers has fulfilled all the requirements for her Ph.D. except for completing her thesis. Her thesis project is a bioanthropological study of the ecology of the human population of the Orkney Islands based on records going back to 1855. The title is "A Historical Study of Changing Death Patterns in the Orkney Islands, A Non-Industrial Society". Details are contained in the attached memorandum.

Although Ms. Bowers has been converting data to machine-readable form in time available from her other responsibilities, the volume of data has precluded rapid progress. Moreover, she is not a computer technician or professional, but wishes to use the technology for data analysis. In order to enable her to complete her study, it would be most helpful if funds could be provided in the form of a grant-in-aid to the Anthropology Department of the University of Pennsylvania designated specifically for her use for data analysis and related expenses. A detailed statement of expected costs is attached. Such assistance would permit her to expend her time and effort more efficiently in areas of her primary competence and proficiency, i.e., human biology, evolution, natural selection and anthropology.

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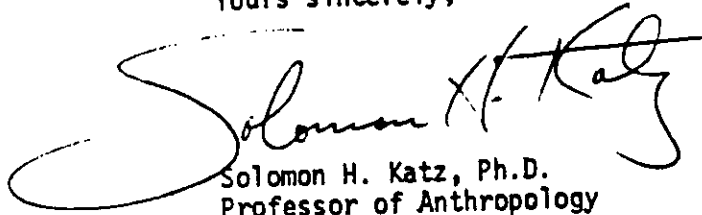
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I have included Ms. Bowers curriculum vitae, and appropriate letters of recommendation will be provided by Dr. Hickey and Dr. Clelland of the Department of Statistics of the Wharton School; Dr. R. Jean Brownlee of the Department of Political Science, and myself, and other members of the Anthropology Department of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences.

If you have any questions, I will be happy to try to answer them. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your time and consideration of this request.

Yours sincerely,



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Professor of Anthropology

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